



Robert Leland Lindley

January 29, 1936 - March 16, 2021

Robert Leland Lindley, age 85, of St. Ignace, Michigan, died on March 16, 2021 in Petoskey, Michigan. He was born January 29, 1936 in Martinsville, Indiana to Fred and Margaret (Litzner) Jackson.

Robert grew up in Moran, Michigan and graduated from LaSalle High School. After high school, he went to work for the Mackinac Straits State Ferry Service. He then went into National Security for our country. After his time in the service, he went to work for the Mackinac Bridge where he spent his working life. Following his military service, he also met Yvonne Marie Summerby. They were married October 8, 1960 and started their family together. He later became the Master Electrician for the bridge until 1996. He then started his own Electrical business and retired from that in 2017.

Robert was a member of the Fraternal Order of the Moose Lodge 999.

Robert's brother Allan Lindley had these words to say about his brother, "He was my hero and best friend. He is actually the reason why I am still working after 64 years supporting the General Staff of Intelligence community. He taught me how to fish and work with the big dogs. We went into the service together (Army Security Agency) in 1957. He attended 52 weeks of advanced electronic training so he could maintain the most sophisticated communication systems, which protected the National Security in our country. He always set

examples of excellence for all to emulate and when things went wrong at the National level, they called Bob! After 3 years, he came back to St. Ignace to work on the Mackinac Bridge but not before he taught me everything I know today about being the best in what we do. (keeping our country free.) The bridge called Bob when things went south....Just like the Army did. " To know him is to love him because he was the best." I know God is proud to have him on his staff!".

Robert enjoyed operating ham radio, scuba diving, reading, hunting, and fishing. He also liked to spend time at deer camp. He loved spending time in the woods and going mushroom picking. He also liked electronics of all kinds. Robert enjoyed his toys such as his motorcycles, four-wheelers, and snowmobiles. He was a huge prankster and played tricks on his friends, coworkers, and family "Everyone was a mark". He lived a full and happy life.

Robert is survived by his daughter, Lori (Kim) Gamble of Moran; grandchildren, Steven Lindley, Leland Ohmer, Daniel Marsh, Stephanie Lash, Kimi (Michael) Pollard, and Jamie (Bill) Nye; great-grandchildren, Calyn, Summer, Cody, Julia, Madison, Gavin, Connor, Hanna, Waylon, Warren, Amelia, Scott, Addison, and Allison; siblings, Allan Lindley of Woodbridge, Virginia, Brenda (Lloyd) Goodno of Ravana, Michigan, and James (Linda) Jackson of Gwinn, Michigan; sisters-in-law, Katie Jackson of Chicago, Illinois, and Marion Erskine of Moran.

Robert was preceded in death by his wife, Yvonne; parents, Fred and Margaret; son, Lowell; granddaughter, Allison McCord; brother, Gary Jackson; sisters-in-law, Nancy Lindley, Norma (Ed) Latva; and brother-in-law, William Summberby.

"When I quit this mortal shore, and mosey around this earth no more. Don't weep, or sigh, or grieve, or sob, I may have struck a better job! Don't go and

buy a large bouquet, for which you'll find it hard to pay. Don't hang around me looking blue, I may be better off than you! Don't tell folks I was a saint, or anything you know I ain't. If you have stuff like that to spread, please hand it out before I'm dead; If you have roses, bless your soul, just put one in my button-hole. But do it while I'm at my best; instead of when I'm safe at rest"-
Bob.

Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Leland Lindley*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Robert Leland Lindley*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Robert Leland Lindley*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *My favorite uncle Bob! Gonna miss seeing him when I visit St Ignace with my dad!
I remember when I was 10 and Bob set me up with a shotgun to shoot for my first time and it blew me on my ass as they laughed of course :)
I'll see him again in the Kingdom of heaven!!
Scott Lindley*

scott lindley - March 21, 2021 at 08:39 AM



“ *From Jim langstaff. My memory of Bob should have read: Bob, Yvonne, Lori and Lowell would come to visit not I come to visit.*

James langstaff - March 20, 2021 at 06:42 PM

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“ Sorry to hear of Bob's passing. He was always friendly with me and helped me anytime I had an electrical question. I remember when I was growing up that Bob, Yvonne, Lori, and Lowell I come to visit my parents sometimes on wartella Road. Condolences
Jim langstaff.

James langstaff - March 20, 2021 at 06:03 PM

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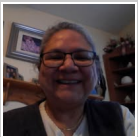
“ I met Bob when I started working at the Mackinac Bridge in 1985, he was the electrician. He was a very nice man. I'm so sorry for your loss, may he rest in peace. Prayers for your family 🙏

Aggie O'Brien - March 20, 2021 at 02:30 PM

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“ I knew Bob from the Hessel dances when we were young and carefree. Later on I worked with Bob at the Mackinac Bridge. He and his wife was a joy to know. RIP Bob.

Leona M DeKeyser - March 20, 2021 at 02:29 PM



“ I'm so sorry to hear of Mr. Lindley's passing. He was our neighbor when I was growing up on Ellsworth Street with my large family-the Moses family. We played kickball and football and baseball in the road in front of our house and Lowell would come down and play and Mr. Lindley would watch from his front porch and laugh. Or he'd listen to us playing down at our grandma's just down the hill from them and let Lowell come play with us down there. I remember him calling Lowell "Stinker" all the time. It was a nice neighborhood we grew up in. He was a very nice man and his wife was a sweet woman. Prayers for the family. Cecelia Moses Holmes

Ceecee Holmes - March 19, 2021 at 08:58 PM

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“ I am sad to hear of Bob's passing. My friendship with. Bob goes way back to the 1940s. He was a handsome boy, he use to tease me till I would kick him in the knees. I am sure he had arthritis later in life. Because of my kicks. Bob. Always had beautiful smile. I am so proud of his life accomplishments. I know a big bright star is shining in our Heavens tonight. BOB has arrived. Alan I am so sorry for your loss. Sending you comfort. With a big hug. God Bless you Bob. It has been my pleasure to have known you. RIP. Was always going to stop. And say Hello, when I came North. I am truly sorry I missed that chance. Anne Brown Hudson. Pt Charlotte Florida

Anne Brown Daniels Hudson - March 19, 2021 at 05:10 PM